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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) 1-4.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated December 3, 2004 (copy attached), Applicant hereby submits new replacement drawings, Figures 1 - 4. These drawings should now be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121. Please charge any fee due to deposit account 09-0461.

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